

Minutes

Criminal Practice Commission

Immigration Committee

March 8, 2010

1:00 PM

Supreme Court – Attorney Conference Room

The Criminal Practice Commission's Immigration Committee met in the Supreme Court attorney conference room, located at 231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, on Monday March 8, 2010.

Committee members in attendance: Mr. William Carbone, Atty. Patricia Froehlich, Hon. David Gold (co-chair), Atty. Daniel B. Horwitch, Hon. Joette Katz (co-chair), Mr. Gary A. Roberge, Atty. Elisa Villa, Prof. Michael Wishnie

Also in attendance: Attorney John Hughes

The meeting was called to order at 1:09 PM by Justice Katz.

1. Justice Katz welcomed the members of the committee. Justice Katz also welcomed Mr. William Collins, Ms. Sara Edelstein, Ms. Lindsay Nash and Ms. Adrienna Wong, who worked on memorandums for the committee at the request of Professor Wishnie.

2. The minutes from the February 1, 2010 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

3. The committee reviewed the three policies drafted by Attorney Horwitch that were discussed during the prior meeting. The committee unanimously agreed on the first two policies. A discussion ensued regarding the third policy. Following the discussion, the committee voted in favor of the third policy as amended. The vote on the third policy was seven in favor and Judge Gold against.

4. The committee continued its discussion regarding Ms. Wong's memorandum entitled "ICE Courthouse Visits & Notification." A discussion ensued regarding the recommendation of asking ICE to notify the chief judicial marshal of the district prior to their coming to a courthouse. Following the discussion, the committee decided not to act on this recommendation. A discussion also ensued regarding the recommendation to limit the usage by ICE of state facilities.

5. The committee began discussing Mr. Collins' memorandum entitled "Probation & Immigration Status-Related Inquiry." A discussion ensued on whether CSSD should amend its current policy of inquiring of all probationers as to their legal status. Recommendations included limiting the inquiry to only select categories of probationers, such as those convicted of felonies and sex offenses or those probationers who may be of some risk to public safety.

6. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 26, 2010 at 2:00 PM in the Supreme Court attorney conference room at 231 Capitol Avenue, Hartford.

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 PM